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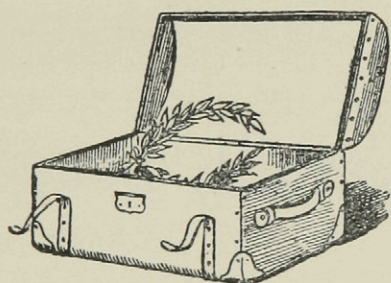
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Editorial.

ELSEWHERE in our pages will be found the statement of the Alumnae Society for 1899. It is hoped that every member of McGill will take an interest in the good work which is being so faithfully carried on by the lady graduates of McGill towards bettering the condition of hundreds of girls and women who work for their living. If the now defunct University Club had been managed on a somewhat similar basis as the Girls' Club, in regard to plain and good cooking, and simplicity of service and equipment generally, there would have been no necessity to abandon the scheme after so short a trial. We can only hope that before long this necessary part of College life will be attended to, as the Alumnae have shown that such a club can exist without financial loss, and, while benefiting all concerned, is strictly self-supporting.

AT the present time we find our Exchanges are full of remarks on the Evils of Cramming. While we fully appreciate the wisdom of their utterances, McGill men are prone to be sceptical on the subject. It is all very well to say Don't Cram! But what can a man do? Lectures go on till the last minute, and even a fair amount of preparation takes up all one's time during the session. There are always many books to study up privately if one wishes to maintain a high standing. It is sadly true that, under the present system, no student can hope to rank at all high in the lists unless he burns midnight oil far into the morning. It may be because our College session is so short. The Christmas examinations and the February supplementals are hardly past when the April spectre looms into view. Where are then the "fifteen minutes of leisure" in which professors

so confidently assure us we can "read the little volume through"? Where is the time to do the three or four thousand lines of extra poetry, Greek, Latin, Anglo-Saxon, German, on which we are suddenly informed, at the last minute, we will be examined? There are times when we

wonder if the Dons have completely forgotten their student days. We would like to proclaim that We Never Cram! But, like George Washington, we cannot tell a lie, even if there were anyone so foolish as to believe it.

NOTICES.

Mr. H. Waite Hicks of New York, will address the McGill Y. M. C. A. at 3 o'clock, on Saturday afternoon.

Next week's issue will be the last number of the OUTLOOK for this session. Reporters and others will kindly send in reports in good season and help to make the last number the best one.

Contributions.

A WEEK IN THE ENGLISH LAKE DISTRICT.

No two things, no two persons, are exactly alike. I do not think even the honour student of philosophy will quarrel with this statement. "All the world's queer save me and thee," said the Quaker to his wife, "and thou art *a little* queer, I see," and he but expressed what the rest of us think—even if we haven't any wife. The unlikeness of individuals is very well illustrated at Edinburgh University, for the students are from all parts of the world, and half a dozen small whiskies bring out their local peculiarities to perfection.

Despite all, however, five of us who had agreed to keep our differences in the background, were found en route for the Wordsworth country shortly before Xmas, '98. We were: two Englishmen, one Scotchman, a German and an American, and we were endeavoring to keep ourselves warm in a 3rd class compartment by smoking; the German's feet covered the small hot water pan which is supposed to keep the temperature one degree warmer than outside. Occasional attempts at conversation showed that we had some few tastes and characteristics in common which made the society of one another bearable; but it was a relief to

reach Carlisle where the Scotchman and American explored the castle and cathedral and saw some remains of the old Roman wall, while the other three were going through a course dinner. We reached Windermere in the afternoon and drove over to Bowness-on-the-Lake, where we found a comfortable lodging at "Rose Cottage" (which has a *bath*).

The sitting-room boasted three musical instruments, or rather three instruments, which, when played together, made a noise—a convenience that was highly appreciated. After a hearty tea we sat about and discussed the landlady's daughter who had brought it in; and it was finally decided that she was "dashed pretty," the Scotchman and the American dissenting.

Our first excursion was to Furness Abbey, a very picturesque and extensive ruin, with some fine Norman and Early English remains. The triumph of the day, however, was achieved by climbing upon one of the windows of the Abbot's Chapel and viewing thence two stone effigies of Norman Knights—12th Century work, and the only remains of that kind in England. We had hardly descended when we met a guide who offered to take the party in for half a crown, but we got the German to assure him in broken English

that we took no interest in such old things ; and congratulated ourselves on having bested an official guide—no easy task even for a native. The only guest of the Abbey hotel, a young lady, was so disturbed at the appearance of five men that she had her lunch sent to her room, and the violent quarrel as to which end of the dining-room we should sit in was therefore quite unnecessary. While running by Duddon Sands on our return, some one tried to explain that, while crossing these to visit his Master Taylor's grave, Wordsworth heard of Robespierre's death, but a discussion on English and German beer quite threw these remarks in the shadow, and the would-be informer retired into himself and enjoyed the scenery.

The lakes in their winter dress have perhaps a sterner beauty, yet a beauty of their own, and the sunset, as the sunrise we had seen in the morning, was superb. The glory of the sky reflected in the water made a golden frame in which crag and fell had a darker and more sombre charm by contrast.

Hawkshead, of course, was a centre of attraction ; we spread ourselves over the place like locusts and devoured the sacred relics of that master mind who studied there, and, like others of more common mould, left his "carved name" upon the desk. We hung around the garden and the brook, robbed of its voice ; the little cottage ; and, alas ! in Wordsworth's room, oh sacrilege, in Wordsworth's own room we found a bunch of hair pins on the bureau !! We climbed the ridge (Outgate) from which Wordsworth, "impatient for the sight"

"Of those led palfreys that should bear us home," gazed one day, "tempestuous dark and wild," before the first great sorrow came into his life.

On the way to Coniston we looked south upon the scene so wonderfully described by the poet :—

"Magnificent"
 "The morning rose in memorable pomp,"
 "Glorious as ere I had beheld—in front"
 "The sea lay laughing at a distance—near"
 "The solid mountains shone bright as the clouds,"
 "Grain tintured, drenched in empyrean light," etc.,

there lay Esthwaite's Vale, the sea across the Duddon Sands and Coniston, Old Man and Wetherlam all as beautiful as on that morning when Wordsworth looked upon them with those eyes that saw so much of nature's heart ; read so many of her secrets which, refined and chastened by his nature, he has given to mankind—and man is better for it.

"The snow-white church upon the hill
 "Still sits like a thronéd lady,"

but the white plaster has been stripped from the walls and the natural stones appear which, though they make the poetry inaccurate, are more in keeping with the general landscape.

One of the most enjoyable of our week's excursions was to Grassmere and Dove Cottage. As we were walking along the middle path from Rydall, the one which goes past the "Wishing Gate," a mass of great storm clouds which had threatened broke up over Loughrigg Fell, and, as the sunshine poured through the rents and the wind of the dying storm swept over Grassmere, the effect was indescribable.

Dove Cottage, with its garden and terrace and well, its memories of Wordsworth and Dorothy, she who gave him eyes and ears,

"And humble cares and delicate fears,"
 "A heart the fountain of sweet tears,"
 "And love and thought and joy ! !"

Wordsworth says :—

"On Nature's invitation do I come,
 "By reason sanctioned. Can the choice mislead
 "That made the calmest fairest spot on earth,
 "With all its unappropriated good,
 "Mine own".

And in the sunlight of a wintry day, the Scotchman and American agreed, and drank a deep draught from the poet's well, while the two Englishmen speculated as to the quality of the ale at the "Prince of Wales," and the German was sulky and talked about Goethe.

DeQuincy also lived there and wrote the famous "Confessions" there.

But to describe a week's continuous sight-seeing would be tedious. I may just mention our rowing about Lake Windermere on Christmas eve. It was cloudy at first ; but the white scuds grew thinner and thinner ; the long shadow which Claife Heights cast upon the water grew deeper ; the reflected islets were more and more perfectly defined in the still and mirror-like lake ; and as the full moonlight poured down upon scar and fell we were silent. The sound of the gyls rushing down the crags and the lapping of the water against the sides of the boat alone broke the stillness ; then gently across the lake came the peals of St. Martin's bells, their clangor softened by the distance, and it was Christmas morning.

"Oh then the calm"
 "And dead still water lay upon my mind"
 "Even with a weight of pleasure, and the sky"
 "Never before so beautiful, sank down"
 "Into my heart, and held me like a dream !"
 "Thus were my sympathies enlarged," etc.

M. C. H. '98.

WONDERLAND.

I have journeyed to-day through a wonder-realm,
 Though I travelled nor fast, nor far,
 For this land lies not on the earth's extremes,
 Nor yet in the bound of the land of dreams,
 Nor in some bright distant star.

I have climbed the top of its highest mount,
 And wandered its valleys among,
 Have gathered a store of diamonds and pearls
 That would stud the crown of a thousand earls,
 But have heard neither voice nor tongue.

I have trodden its fairy forest aisles,
 Where never the lightest breeze
 Has ruffled the breast of the silent burn,
 Or stirred one frond of the silvery fern,
 Or rustled the phantom trees.

At the foot of a grimly-castled crag
 Rose the roofs of a city white,
 Where a thousand glittering domes and spires
 Aflame with the light of celestial fires
 Shed a glow on the crystal height.

I have groped my way through it, caverns dim,
 And have sped o'er the shining fields,
 But have caught not the glint of an insect's wing
 Or a note of the bee's soft murmuring
 That the summer-clad meadow yeilds.

Would you view for yourself this wonder-realm
 Wait a blast from the Frost King's horn;
 You will need neither steed, nor tide, nor train,
 To journey from hearthstone to window-pane
 On a sunshiny winter morn.

ERIE.



MIND AND HEART.

A quarrel rose 'twixt Mind and Heart,
 And both agreed that they would part.

Reserved and cold, Mind his way went
 To joy and pain indifferent;

In vain to win men's grace he strove,
 In vain—as he was void of love.

And Heart, impulsive, unrestrained—
 No favour from the world obtained ;

Her nature passionate and hot
 Was checked by neither sense nor thought.

And so, at length, both Mind and Heart
 Declare they cannot live apart.

Linked hand-in-hand their course must lie
 To make life's perfect harmony.



Correspondence.

ATHLETIC BADGES.

To the Editor of the OUTLOOK:

All who take an interest in athletics at McGill must be glad to hear that the system of giving badges to those men who uphold the honor of our University in athletics is to be adopted. But, has the sub-committee appointed gone far enough? Should not a blazer and sash be awarded in addition to the badges?

For instance, those who win a first grade badge might be entitled to wear a blazer of white flannel trimmed with McGill ribbon, with the crest on the pocket, and to have a sash of red and white.

Those receiving a second grade badge could have a blazer of black, dark brown or green trimmed with College ribbon and the crest, the sash in this case to be red, white and the color of the blazer. These, of course, to be *bought* by those entitled to them and subject to the same rules, *re* wearing, as the badges are entirely optional. An alternative plan would be for each club, as the football, athletic, tennis and cricket, to have a distinctive blazer and sash of its own, to be awarded to the men on the first team of each, and in the case of the cricket and tennis clubs only to *bona fide* Undergraduates. This would, perhaps, be the better idea, as it would show at a glance what the wearer had done for his College.

In regard to the badges, surely a man who represents McGill on the first team of any of the clubs, be it football, tennis, cricket or athletic, is worthy of the first grade badge! The report of the sub-committee seems to me to favor football, but I think that the other clubs would receive better support if all first teams were awarded equal honors.

It might be a good plan to restrict the wearing of the McGill jersey and stockings to the members of the three football teams; by doing this the third team would receive some slight distinction.

Dear Mr. Editor.

In your issue of March 2, you invite comment upon the scheme proposed by the "Committee on Badges." As the matter is one of doubtless importance, I think there are many points in the statement of that committee which should be carefully considered before it is given an unqualified approval.

1. *The Scheme and the Badge Itself.*—The idea itself is admittedly taken from Harvard. Without pausing to criticize the wonderful tumble towards "Americanism" by some of those men who so short a time ago placed themselves on record for "*Good Old English*" football in opposition to a proposition of Toronto to alter the rules, let us proceed.

The letter "H" is part of Harvard itself. It has been for the memory of the present generation and was for the past. Not only is this an association but an undoubted reality, for it is the initial of the College name, and no one in Cambridge, Mass., especially, would take it for a "C." It is also in its way unique, for, owing to its age and reputation,

no other College, especially one with whose students Harvard men would compete, would venture to adopt it.

The proposed M has none of these attributes, not only has it no association for those already gone from College, but to us at present here it is rather too close a reminder of that "Mo-real, Mo-real, rah, rah, rah" (which I think we all cordially detest) to be pleasant.

For the College name it has no significance. I may be wrong, but, as far as spelling is concerned, does not "McG" compose the initial of McGill?

In the list of events, for which it is to be awarded, we have "Intercollegiate Games." As the name of the Athletic Association grows, for it certainly should, we may have the good fortune to have American competitors; some may come from Ann Arbor; it is not much farther than Toronto, and they will wear—red and white and a large M—for Michigan.

Go any spring afternoon to base-ball park and see Dooley's men. The most striking thing is a six inch M. These must surely be McGill men—No?

An Eastern team is playing cricket in Toronto. On inspection a reporter saw M. C. C. on a blazer, and the result of the match is credited to—McGill? No, Montreal Cricket Club. This M will have one saving feature. It will always be clean and neat, for can one not always have a new one for passing in the old. This, too, must be Americanism, and will be a new lesson for us who have always thought mud and signs of wear were valuable accessories. Imagine a man whose father may have gained, say, a bronze medal in the Crimea rushing to get a "silver one instead"—of course, on surrender of the one associated with his father.

Let us have something that can be kept something, that can be put anywhere from a canvas jacket to a dress shirt, something one could hitch to an old blazer as he sits by the fire to dream of the events he won it for. For all of this we have—a "six inch M" and of "red flannel."

Entitled to the Badge.—A few words about "who shall wear it."

The Football Club seems to have been the first and only consideration. On reading, one would think that the F. B. A., a *possible* track team, or *impossible* Hockey team, and men who could gain two-third places were all that could be desired.

Should not any Club representing McGill as the senior team from the College and competing in a recognized league or against all comers, and I refer to the Track team when it is assured, and the Cricket team that is assured, should they not receive the same consideration for their service to athletics? I won't say as the present foot-ball team, but certainly as past foot-ball teams to whom the badge is to be distributed gratis.

Yours, etc.,

THE SAINT.

MCGILL, Nov. 13, 1899.

Societies.

REPORT OF THE ALUMNÆ SOCIETY, 1898.

LUNCH ROOM REPORT.

We are glad to report that the year just closed, the seventh in the history of the Club, has been the most prosperous and encouraging we have yet known. The outlook is in every way most cheering, especially from a financial standpoint, as the rather serious deficit with which the year opened has been entirely wiped out, and we enter on the present year, as the Treasurer's statement shows, with all liabilities met and a small balance on the right side.

The number of girls and women coming for meals during the past year is larger than ever before. The Manager's Report shows an increase over last year of 2,799 meals served, the number this year being 33,543 as compared with 30,744 in the same length of time a year ago. The average price per meal was 8.7 cents.

The increase in attendance has been largely at the tea hour, showing that the Club made a wise move in providing all three meals instead of dinner only as at first.

The year has also been the best in the history of the dwelling house. Now that the desirability of the rooms is known, there is no difficulty in keeping them filled with suitable tenants. They have proved a profitable source of income to the Club.

There has been little change in the appearance of the premises during the year, though some small improvements that have been suggested to increase the efficiency of the service have been made. The Library has not been as great an attraction as we could wish, but it is hoped that the current year will see great improvement in this department. There have been no Evening Classes held during the year, as the fact that most of the Club members live at a distance renders it difficult to attend regularly in the evening.

The Monthly Socials, however, have been very popular, as the large attendance has shown. The thanks of the Club are due to the many friends who have helped to make these evenings both pleasant and profitable.

As usual a Christmas Tree was held, at which a hundred and forty children were entertained. This has become one of the pleasantest features of the year's work, and is eagerly looked forward to by the children, for whom this has been a red-letter day in years past.

The year has had its difficulties. Changes in the domestic arrangements of the Club have entailed much hard work, but it has been accomplished with cheerful energy by our excellent manager, Mrs. McLeod, whose devotion to the welfare of the Club is highly appreciated by those who work with her. We have again to thank the kind friends whose generous gifts have this year, as in other years, done much to make the Club successful and attractive.

LITERARY MEETINGS.

The Monthly Literary Meetings have been most

successful this year, both in increased attendance and in the faithfulness of those taking part in the programme. With the increasing membership the number of essayists for each meeting has also been increased, and the plan of having a number of short essays dealing with different aspects of the subject under consideration has met with much success.

In the early part of the year a series of papers on poems of Tennyson and Browning was followed with much interest. The later months have been taken up with a series on English fiction. There has been no special study class formed this season, but some of the members have joined a class in connection with the Local Council for the scientific study of social questions.

The Alumnæ still continue their connection with the National Council, the President and Corresponding Secretary representing them on its Executive.

Two new officers have been added to the Executive—a Second Vice-President and a Second Recording Secretary. These were found necessary to meet the demands of the increasing membership of the Alumnæ and the increasing responsibilities of Club work. It has been found desirable to keep the two branches of the Society's work as separate as possible.

There are this year sixty-three regular members of the Alumnæ, eight Honorary and ten Associate members.

The value of the Society as a bond between the women graduates of McGill has been proved, and each new band will be gladly welcomed to its ranks. The Courses of Study undertaken, with the interchange of thought and opinion at the meetings, cannot fail to prove stimulating and helpful when the constant impetus of College life has been removed. It is to be hoped that those graduates who have not become members will "tak' a thocht an' mend," and that the coming Class will prove a strong addition to the Alumnæ.

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MCGILL MEDICAL SOCIETY.

One of the most successful and enjoyable meetings of the above Society held this year was that of Friday, March 17. The attendance was large, the debate interesting and the graduate body well represented. The Honourary President, Dr. Armstrong, occupied the chair, and besides the judges of the debate, Drs. Evans, Lockhart and Webster, Dr. J. C. Cameron was also present.

After the reading of the minutes and the finishing of other preliminary business, the Chairman called upon Mr. W. B. Burnett, B.A., the leader of the affirmative, to open up the discussion on the question before the meeting, viz.: "That in a condition of Eclampsia between the periods of Viability and full term, the uterus should be emptied as quickly as possible." Mr. Burnett's argument was forcible, and his views on the subject were presented, in the opinion of the audience, with great clearness and precision. Mr. R. A. A. Shore, B.A., the leader of the negative, followed with a well-prepared dissertation on the question from an opposite point of view. It was listened to with a great deal of pleasure, for Mr. Shore's delivery is nothing if it is not delightful.

On behalf of the affirmative, Mr. W. A. Wilkins went deeply into the treatment of the patient in reference to Eclampsia and its concurrent condi-

tions, supporting and adding a great many new arguments to Mr. Burnett's treatise.

In true debating style, Mr. H. W. Peppers, B.A., went at the question, and very effectually refuted the statements advanced by his opponent. His remarks were significant and to the point, and on the closing of his speech he was the recipient of quite an ovation at the splendid fight he had put up for the negative.

Mr. Burnett and Mr. Shore were allowed some further remarks to strengthen the views of their respective sides, and then the judges retired to consider which side was deserving of victory.

Dr. Cameron and Dr. Armstrong favored the audience with a few remarks of great interest, and each very kindly complimented the Society on the excellence of the evening's programme.

The judges having by this time returned, Dr. Evans, as spokesman, awarded the debate to the negative. This was received with general satisfaction, and, after a vote of thanks had been presented to the judges and Chairman, the meeting adjourned.

REPORT OF THE Y.W.C.A.

The Regular Meeting of the Y.W.C.A. held on Friday, March 17, was unusually interesting. Miss Gairdner was the leader and spoke on "The Grace of Humility."

Class Reports.

LISTEN, YE REPORTERS.

The scope of a College paper is to develop fraternity in the students, to foster kindred feelings of mutual good-will in the faculties, to bind still more closely the members of a class, and this aim is attained to a great extent in the inoffensive chaff of the Class Reporter, in his whole-hearted criticism of his fellows, in the openness of his remarks, in the complete abstention from all tortuousness, from all venom, from all misrepresentation. To all are not given the same capabilities, the same brilliance, the same over-powering superiority. In every year there are different temperaments. Different circumstances control each one's opportunities. Difficulties to some are unknown quantities to others. And these unconfinable vagaries of fate should ever be respected, should ever be ignored, should ever be unnoticed. But when to this is added exaggeration, when to this is added stupidity and gross insult—then it is time to stop, time to apologize, time to retract. The inane comparisons of the school boy should find no place in a College paper. The crass meanderings of a vacant brain seeking to fill the required columns should be peremptorily refused editorial recognition and con-

sequent harmful publication. Let a Reporter confine himself to personal hits, at once amusing, harmless, true, let him fight shy of coarseness, which ever degrades, let him avoid comparisons which are ever odious, let him be straightforward, let him be honest, let him be just. He wields a mighty power in the pen. He should use it fearlessly for truth, ruthlessly against deceit, but ever with respect for the trustfulness of those who depend on his honesty, who are helpless from his treachery, who are confident in his manliness.

ARTS.

FIRST YEAR.

The discovery of the fact that one of our men is a hypnotist has caused no little excitement. We would suggest the formation of a 1902 Concert troupe. Signor Satano with his sleight of hand, Prof. Tauner in hypnotic exhibitions, Troop, the lightning calculator, MacDougall, the celebrated basso, and Hans Cole, the Esquimaux oyster eater, would make a unique combination.

Your Reporter apologizes for the absence of any report last week. But the fact is we have made it

our rule never to deviate from the strict unvarnished truth. And as there was no news, our deep-rooted conscientious convictions prevented our inventing any. George Washington and we simply can't tell

President Ogilvie is rapidly recovering from the injuries he received during the rush to Greek History. His physicians say that his phenomenal constitution saved his life. His collar bone has set all right and three of the missing ribs have been located. The broken thigh also is doing nicely. The Year will be glad to see his smiling face in its old place.

THIRD YEAR—ANNUAL NOTES.

Two weeks ago there was a false report that the Annual was out. J. A. N. had a black eye.

J. K. wishes he was a Donald; he would like to have been on one of those lunch committees.

The autobiography (?) of one of our editors is much admired.

The Second Year claim the hockey championship of Arts, but we must dispute their right, for, although the tie was to be played off between '02 and 1900, the winners playing '01, no time was settled for that game, and, owing to the closing of the McGill rink, it was thought all games were off. 1900 have not defaulted to the First Year. The Second Year played the First Year in the Crystal Rink two Saturdays ago, and on winning claimed the championship. When our Captain heard of this, he challenged the Second Year's right to that title, offering to play last Saturday. They refused, so that it is hard to see exactly how they are champions.

We had a free circus at Mechanics last Friday. Before the lecture the angelic quartette began a song, and Coch—ne led them with a glass tube. The sensational finale was much admired, but the hero was so modest that he had to be dragged back to the room, and refused to give an encore.

A little later strongman Tim pulled apart the two parts of the ball which showed the air pressure with the greatest of ease. A few minutes later N— was told that he should be careful of the mercury which he had in his hand, as it injured brass. Now N— had a ring on his finger.

SCIENCE.

FOURTH YEAR.

A prophecy:—

Archibald, Strict attention to business makes a millionaire.

Austin, Claim jumper in Australia.

Bachand, A chef.

Blaylock, A prospector.

Bowman, An auctioneer.

Burgess, Principal of a Ladies' College.

Campbell, Floor walker in a millinery store.

Colpitts, A ward "heeler."

Dargavel, Street sprinkler.

Davidson, Married a rich widow and retired.

Denis, Street car conductor.

Ewan, Agent for Dow & Co.

Fetherstonhaugh, Turned curate.

Fraser Chas., A true son of the church.

Fraser H., A river pilot.

Fraser J. W., motorman.

Gagnon, Municipal watercourse digger.

Gisborne, A professor of mathematics.

Gough, Vocal specialist.

Grier, A boat builder.

Hawker, East end real estate agent.

Hickey, A tonsorial artist.

Hutchinson, Analyst of the Inland Revenue Department.

Hyde G., A fashion plate designer.

Hyde Jas., Superintendent Crescent Street Sunday School.

Kirkpatrick, Mining broker.

MacInnes, A distiller.

McLaren, A philanthropist.

McLean, A dancing master.

McLeod, Janitor Eng. Building.

McLea, News agent.

Moore, Author of "Etiquette and Deportment."

Morgan, Manager Standard Oil Co.

Peden, Brick moulder.

Pergau, Author of "The Child, and how it should be reared."

Pitcher, A barber.

Preston, Superintendent Crosby Indicator Company.

Shaw, Principal Dominion Deaf and Dumb Institute.

Stevens, Mounted police patrol.

Van Horne, Punch's cartoonist.

Waller, Agricultural expert.

Wenger, Issuer of marriage licenses.

Whyte, Osgood police force.

Wilson, Telegraph lineman.

Young, Director of an Intelligence Bureau.

Yuile, Well driller.

Yorston, The people's Jimmy.

MEDICINE.

SECOND YEAR.

The great ordeal is over at last! And it is with a great sigh of relief we say so. One of the ambitious writers of our Year has decided to write a novel—thrilling, interesting—"terribly exciting"—entitled "A Three Hours' Struggle for Life and Freedom!"

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to Mr. Learmonth, who had very unfortunately been taken ill shortly before the Anatomy examination. We sincerely hope that his illness will be of short duration and that he will be soon with us again.

"Buck" remarked: "Anything you don't wish us to read, draw your pen through it, and we'll be *only too glad* not to do so!"

Dr. Cook wishes the boys one and all splendid success in their examinations, both oral and written. "Keep cool!" is his advice.

LAW.

We should always be grateful. And when to kindness are added facilities for learning, for understanding, in a manner at once attractive in its newness, scientific in its execution, complete in its entirety, we certainly have every reason to be thankful. To the men of the Faculty, the P.M. in the hospital was a revelation, to many "a new experience—by all, never to be forgotten. And we stood our ground with *sang-froid* that was convincing to ourselves. Marches and counter-marches to the rear were infrequent. But quantity gave way to quality. Movements, ordinarily inoffensive, at a critical time are momentous. At times, juniors wore a seriousness that was strange in its newness, that was intense in its calmness, that was contagious in its profundity. It could be imagined by the misery of their positions. It could not be gauged. The operators smile was epidemic, with accretion. It grew in size like a snow-ball. From a smile it developed into the noisy laugh. It was the safety valve of pent-up emotion. Too loud to be natural, a little louder than usual, it was the guffaw of despair. It was the oasis in an arid retrospective.—In a still more horrible perspective. But to the Seniors can be given nothing but words of praise. 'Tis true, they sat behind. But they are not selfish. They would be kind to their mothers-in-law. The ides of April approach. What if some did remain with the stolidity of incomprehension. The hectic enthusiasm of the martyr. The resigned compulsion of the criminal. On them lay the example. To bring serenity to the fluttered imaginations of their juniors was their duty. And they did it—did it nobly—did it well.

In last week's issue of the OUTLOOK Mr. Ives name appeared as the Valedictorian of the Faculty. It should have read Mr. McIver.—We apologize for the error.

At a Meeting of the Third year held last week the following members were elected to represent the Law Class of '99 on the Class Day Committee, viz. :—Messrs. Robertson, Carter, Ives and Saunders.

DONALDAS.

Professor, to Class.—"Now here is the famous prescription for rejuvenation," and then he added, hastily, "but I would not advise any of you to try it." And we are still wondering what he thinks is the average age of the Class.

The only other subject outside of examinations that is now being discussed is photography. How we shall pose when we shall go and what proofs we like best are the questions constantly flitting through our minds, interrupting our more serious train of thought. It is pretty hard lines to have to look pleasant at the same time that you are trying to ease your conscience, which is always most troublesome when you are not employing your time in the search after knowledge.

THE CLASS OF NINETY-NINE.

[Donalds.]

The class of Ninety-nine—in numbers small—
But in renown the greatest of them all,
And justly so, for all their praise is won
By virtue of the deeds that they have done,
And done so well—inspired by happy thought—
Success has crowned their efforts as it ought ;
Four years ago these charming maidens came
To Old McGill of ancient name and fame,
There to pursue that shadow men call knowledge,
And graduate with honour from the College ;
Four happy years they've passed beneath the dome,
And the East Wing is like a second home,
Yet soon, alas, their College course is o'er,
And they will tread these sacred halls no more ;
But though they will have gone, there yet will live
The cherished memories that their deeds can give ;
The other Years within their minds will save
Bright memories of the pleasures that they gave,
Those entertainments—which all else surpassed—
Each one, well planned, eclipsing e'en the last,
They gained applause—and justly we may say—
I trust no reader dares to murmur "nay."
Amongst themselves they'd many a merry time,
Which space forbids to tell of in my rhyme,
Such clever spirits in that Class abode
That witty words forever from them flowed ;
Take them for all in all one scarce could find
Fourteen such maidens of an equal mind,
Then let us wish that every joy be theirs,
Their lives all tranquil and all free from cares,
And wishing thus I fain must say adieu
To Ninety-nine—and readers unto you.

X. Y. Z.

[We are much obliged to the unknown author of these lines. If X. Y. Z. will come up to the East Wing and call, we will be pleased to entertain X.Y.Z. with one of our famous "spreads." Of course our innate modesty prevents our agreeing with the statements, but we are very glad that it does not prevent others from the knowledge of our merit.]

An impromptu debate takes place every day or so among those who frequent the Library — "Measles vs. Examinations." There are some who even go down the basement stairs far enough to risk infection, but so far they have escaped the dread disease. The fear that perhaps the Faculty might *not* confer a degree "in absentia" even for a most terrifying case keeps some of the Seniors from retiring from the scene of action.

LIFE OF RUDYARD KIPLING.

SKETCH WRITTEN BY MR. ANDREW LANG SOME
TIME SINCE.

The following sketch of the famous author was some time ago written by Mr. Andrew Lang, the well-known writer and literary critic :—

Some years ago, among the books which came in battalions to a reviewer, I found an odd little volume of verses, bound like an official report. Where is that volume now? It has gone the way of first editions ; a thing to regret, as it was an example of Mr. Rudyard Kipling's "Departmental Ditties." They were light pieces of rhyme on Anglo-Indian life and society ; they were lively, sad, cynical, and very unlike most poetry. Mr. Kipling's name

was new to me, and, much as I had admired his verses, I heard no more of him till I received "The Story of the Gadsbys," "Studies in Black and White," and "Under the Deodars." Then, on reading them, one saw that a new star in literature had swum into one's ken. Here was extraordinary brightness, brevity, observation, humor; unusual, perhaps unexampled, knowledge of life in India—life of the people, of their white rulers, of men and women, and of the private soldiers. Mr. Kipling had the unusual art of telling a short story; he cut it down to almost anecdote in his hatred of the prolix and the superfluous. This is always a rare art in English; in French it is more common, and it is made far more welcome.

At this time the European English knew little or nothing of Mr. Kipling. He was praised in reviews; his books were the treasures of a few people who liked to find a fresh thing that is good. Then, in autumn, 1889, Mr. Kipling came to England, paying a long visit to America on the way. The few facts that need be told about his past career were soon known.

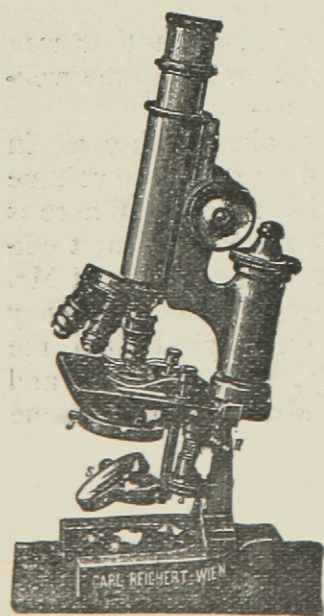
Mr. Kipling was born at Bombay on December 30, 1865. He is, therefore, still a very young man; at his age Mr. Robert Louis Stevenson had only shown his genius to the world in a few admirable magazine articles. Born in India, the son of the head of the School of Art at Lahore, Mr. Kipling was educated at "Westward Ho," the watering-place and home of the Golfes, named after Canon Kingsley's novel. He returned to India early, and how early he began to write articles, tales and verses in the India newspapers I do not know. His little romances first appeared in the journals of our Oriental dependency, and were part of his regular newspaper work. The largest collections, "Plain Tales From the Hills," in the dignity of a cloth cover, can occasionally be purchased from a bookseller of unusual intelligence. But, as the books came out in India, it has hitherto been difficult to get them; they have been "very rare." Doubtless, these difficulties are being removed, and perhaps Mr. Kipling's works will become as accessible as those of other British authors. It is not my purpose to write a biography of Mr. Kipling, nor describe him "at home." He is fond of horses and of fishing; he is not fond of psychology nor of M. Paul Bourget. His political opinions are of the kind which were English in old days, before Mr. Gladstone, and I am not aware that he has ever attempted to overthrow the Christian religion, nor to supply his own mixture

at reasonable charges, as a substitute. He is thus, though young and popular, a little belated in our intelligent and advanced generation.

Enough, or more than enough, of personal descriptions. As to his writings, Mr. Kipling appears to myself to possess a very original genius, nor is this an original opinion. His "Plain Tales" have been called "the best book ever written on India" by an authority of very great experience in life, in government and in literature. For the first time he has shown English readers what India is like, how full of infinitely various life and romance. He seems to have seen, and known, and been able to make real and vivid, the existence of all classes in that continent. For my own part I least like his tales about official life, about flirtations, and jobs, "appointments" of all kinds at Simla. The descriptions may be very true; they are not very pleasing. His married flirts, his frivolous ladies, his people who "play tennis with the Seventh Commandment" are melancholy, and, no doubt, admonitory spectacles. Vice, in them, has certainly not freed itself from what is coarse and common. Vice seldom does, and it is not Mr. Kipling's fault, but the fault of his characters, that one turns from their feverish society, their "smartness" and their slang.

To my own taste—after all it is a question of taste—his tales of native life in many ranks, religions and nations are his best. The confessions of an opium smoker, in "The Gate of a Hundred Sorrows," defeat De Quincey on his own ground. "The Strange Ride of Morrowbe Jukes," who fell into a village of thieves who should be dead but yet live, is a nightmare more perfect and terrible, I think, than anything of Edgar Poe's.

There is an astonishing variety in Mr. Kipling's powers. In the "Phantom Rickshaw," his tale of the dead wife's appointment with her husband, moves one like a vivid dream of the beloved dead. Then we have a handsome piece of witchery in the "Bisara of Pooree," where the impossible becomes real to fancy. From these tales it is a long step to the military humors of "Soldiers Three," the magnificent, daring, vain and generous Irish Hercules, Mulvaney; the little cockney who shoots so well, and has a madness of homesickness; Ortheris, and the big Yorkshireman, who is their comrade. "How They Took the Town of Lungtungpen" and "With the Rear Guard" are tales of as good fighting as ever was transcribed. Every soldier should inspire himself with their gay daring and masterful adventure.



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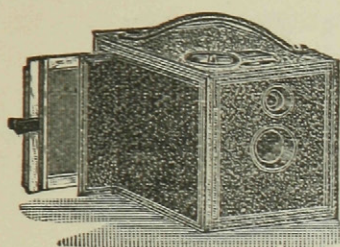
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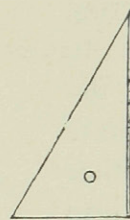
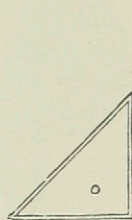
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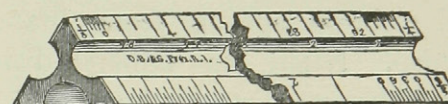
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LOOKING BACKWARD.

(An Impressionistic Sketch. Apologies to the Reader.)

They lived happily ever afterwards. She casts himself into his arms crying, "I love me madly," and he printed a fervid kiss on her alabaster brow. "I dost, beloved one, mine own. Dost love me?" he cried. She gazed long into his liquid eyes. He sat beside himself with joy. She sat on the other side. Over the lake rose the pale ecru moon, while the twittering blue birds sprang from branch to chirp. Night was falling; ditto the rain drops; ditto his hopes. "There was a man once. But that is another story." Then with one glance into her gazelle-like eyes he paused, and they sank upon the bench. They strolled slowly over the lea. "Ah, you have come," she shrieked, her mellow voice striking on his enraptured ears like the tinkle of little bells. The tear drops, size, four grains, stood upon her peaches and cream complexion, price, forty cents a box. "He promised to be here at 9 o'clock, and here it is 8.30 and he hasn't come yet," she sobbed. She sat alone at the window.

Moral.—Be good and you'll be lonesome.

Passing remarks—It is easier to be in love than to pay board.

GESS NITT.

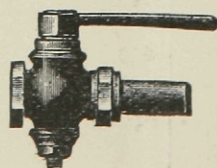
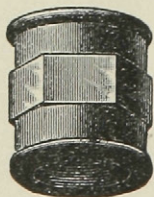
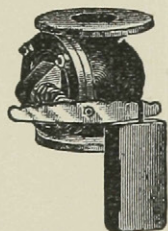
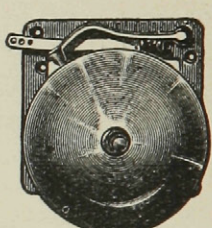
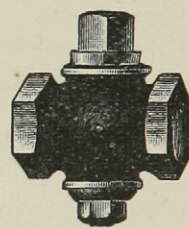
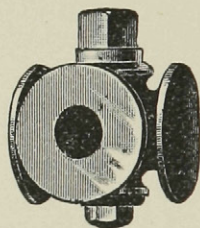
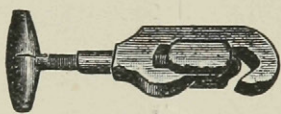
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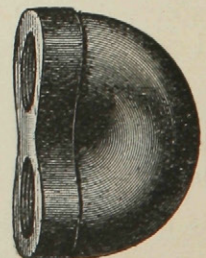
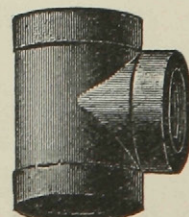
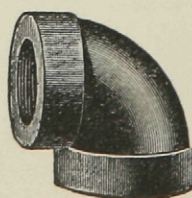
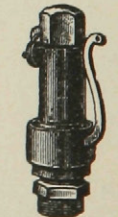
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WITTY WORDS.

Nurse Girl—I lost sight of the child,
mum, and—

Mother—Good gracious! Why
didn't you speak to a policeman?

Nurse Girl—I was speaking to wun
all the toime, mum.

"Whence comes that mournful sounl,
Now high, now loud, now low?
It comes from the man on the corner,
He's more'nful you know."

Teacher (in Latin class)—Give the
principal parts of possum.

Pupil—Head, legs and tail.

She said her lover was a dream,
But after they were mated,
She found, alas! unhappy maid,
Her dream was dissipated.

Homer didn't write good Greek,
His words were quite erratic,
So Xenophon got mad one day,
And put them in the attic.

Here lies a Spaniard, stark and cold;
Deny we not that he was bold.
He perished in a naval strife
Because he had no aim in life.

Judge—Why did you steal this
gentleman's purse?

Prisoner—I thought the change
would do me good.

Cholly—How would you—aw—like
to own a little—aw—puppy, Miss
Fourleaf?

Miss Fourleaf—This is so—sudden!

Mrs. Flynn—Moike, why do people
cilibrate tin weddins?

Mike—Shure, darlint, because they
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"I don't see why Ethel has so many
admirers," she remarked "she
neither sings, plays, paints, nor speaks
French."

"H'm'm" he replied, reflectively,
"maybe that's why."

Little Willie wanted a drum. His
mother thought it would be a good
opportunity to give Willie an object
lesson on the efficacy of prayer, so
advised him to try it. When he knelt
down by his little bed that night and
bowed his head, his mother slipped
the drum on the bed, and Willie
prayed:

"Now I lay me down to sleep—

I want a drum.

I pray the Lord my soul to keep—

I want a drum.

If I should die before I wake—

I want a drum.

I pray the Lord my soul to take—

I want a drum.

When Willie raised his head, there
lay the drum. His eyes fairly pro-
truded in amazement. Finally, he ex-
claimed in an ecstasy of joy: "Where
in blazes did that drum come from,
anyway?"

Teacher.—How was it that Burns
acquired the habit of drinking so?

Pupil—Why, he said to himself,
"I am one of the Burns family, and I
burn so, I must have something to
cool me off."

Say, have you read Pilgrim's Pro-
gress?

No, but I have Bunyan's.

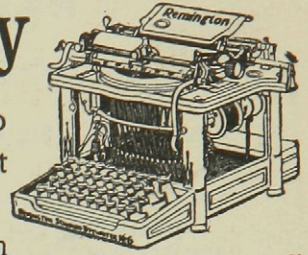
How did Adam and Eve get out of
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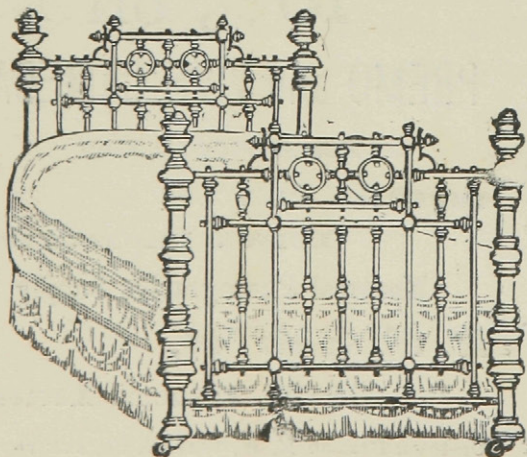
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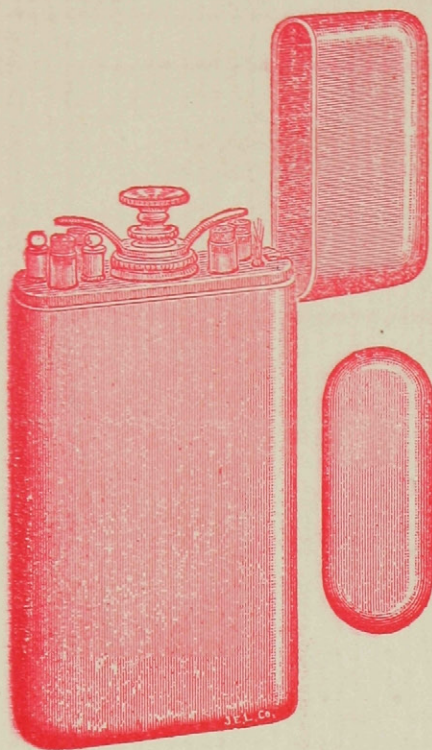
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